

Amendments to the Claims

1-3. (canceled)

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4. (previously presented) A method comprising:

- (a) deforming a first leaf spring portion integrally formed on a housing within a cash dispensing automated banking machine, releasing force holding a stripping member adjacent a rotatable sheet picking member;
- (b) subsequent to (a) moving the stripping member away from the picking member;
- (c) deforming a second leaf spring portion integrally formed on the housing releasing force holding a carry away member adjacent the picking member;
- (d) subsequent to (c) moving the carry away member away from the picking member; and
- (e) moving a resilient tab portion integrally formed with the housing, releasing a force holding the picking member in engagement with a drive shaft.

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5. (previously presented) The method according to claim 4 and further comprising:

- (f) subsequent to (e) disengaging the picking member from engagement with the drive shaft.

6. (previously presented) The method according to claim 5 and further comprising:

- (g) subsequent to (e) disengaging the picking member from engagement with the tab portion.

7. (previously presented) The method according to claim 6 and prior to (a),

- (h) rotating the picking member in engagement with a stack of notes;
- (i) preventing notes in the stack other than the end note from moving relative to the stack through engagement of notes with the stripping member;
- (j) separating the end note bounding a stack of notes responsive to (h) and (i).

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8. (previously presented) The method according to claim 7 wherein in (h) the picking member includes a central disk portion which includes a high friction arcuate portion and a projecting surface extending radially outward beyond the high friction arcuate portion and transversely adjacent thereto, wherein in (i) the projecting surface prevents deformation of a leading edge area of the end note due to forces applied by the high friction arcuate portion and the stripping member.

9. (previously presented) The method according to claim 7 wherein (a) includes disengaging the first leaf spring portion from operative engagement with a first shaft, wherein the stripping member is rotatable in supporting connection with the first shaft.

10. (previously presented) The method according to claim 9 wherein (c) includes disengaging the second leaf spring portion from operative engagement with a second shaft, wherein the carry away member is rotatable in supporting connection with the second shaft.

11. (previously presented) The method according to claim 10 wherein the picking member includes a picking shaft,

wherein (e) includes moving the tab portion outward relative to an axis of rotation of the picking shaft; and

wherein (f) includes disengaging an interengaging projection and recess one of which is on the picking shaft and the other of which is on the drive shaft.

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12. (previously presented) A method comprising:

- (a) moving one end of a picker shaft of an automated banking machine currency note picker into operative engagement with a resilient biasing tab integral with and formed on an automated banking machine housing portion, wherein the movement causes the tab to move relative to the housing portion; and
- (b) moving an opposite end of the picker shaft into operative engagement with a drive shaft, causing the picker shaft to be held in operative engagement with the drive shaft by a force of the tab biasing the picker shaft in a direction toward the drive shaft.

13. (previously presented) A method comprising:

- (a) moving a resilient biasing tab away from operative engagement with an end of a picker shaft of an automated banking machine currency note picker member, wherein at least a portion of the tab is integral with and formed from an automated banking machine housing, wherein the movement causes the tab to move relative to the housing,

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wherein the movement causes releasing of a tab force holding an opposite end of the picker shaft in engagement with an end of a picker member drive shaft;

- (b) subsequent to step (a), disengaging the picker shaft from engagement with the drive shaft.

14-16. (canceled)

17. (previously presented) A method comprising:

- (a) deforming a first leaf spring portion integrally formed on a housing of an automated banking machine, wherein deforming the first leaf spring portion is operative to enable a stripping member positioned to be in adjacent relation with a rotatable picking member, which picking member when installed in the machine extends along a picking member axis, to be moved away from the picking member axis;
- (b) subsequent to (a) moving the stripping member relatively away from the picking member axis;
- (c) prior to (b), operatively disengaging a first shaft in supporting connection with the stripping member, and the first leaf spring portion.

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18. (canceled)

19. (previously presented) A method comprising:

- (a) deforming a first leaf spring portion integrally formed on a housing within an automated banking machine, wherein deforming the first leaf spring portion is operative to enable a stripping member positioned to be in adjacent relation with a rotatable picking member installed in supporting connection with the housing and extending along a picking member axis, to be moved away from the picking member axis;
- (b) subsequent to (a) moving the stripping member relatively away from the picking member axis; and
- (c) disengaging the picking member from supporting connection with the housing, including deforming a tab portion integrally formed on the housing, wherein a picking shaft of the picking member is generally in supporting connection with the tab portion, and disengaging the picking shaft from the tab portion and a drive shaft.

20. (canceled)